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If you are a woman, you
should know about ...



Illinois Healthy Women

... a family planning
(birth control) program.



What is Illinois Healthy Women?

Illinois Healthy Women covers family planning and birth control services for Illinois women. Illinois Healthy Women also covers related reproductive healthcare if a woman gets this care during her family planning visit. Illinois Healthy Women services are confidential and free. The program is voluntary. That means women use it only if they want to.

Who is eligible for Illinois Healthy Women?

You are eligible if:

- You are at least 19 and no older than 44,
- You are a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident with a Social Security Number,
- You live in Illinois,
- You meet the income guidelines,
- You have no health insurance coverage for birth control, and
- You are currently not pregnant.

If you are pregnant, apply for Moms & Babies by calling 1-866-ALLKIDS (1-866-255-5437).

Illinois Healthy Women Guidelines

Family Size	Monthly Income
1	\$1,702 or less
2	\$2,282 or less
3	\$2,862 or less
4	\$3,442 or less
5	\$4,022 or less

Family members include a spouse and children under age 18 who are living with you.

Effective 2007. Please call 1-800-226-0768 for most current monthly income levels.

Can I get services other than family planning, birth control or related reproductive health?

No. Illinois Healthy Women only pays for family planning, birth control and related reproductive health services provided during the family planning visit. If you need to see a doctor for other healthcare, you can be referred to a doctor or clinic where you may get care not covered under this program. If you think you qualify for more comprehensive healthcare coverage, you can apply for regular medical benefits at any time. Call 1-800-226-0768 to find out how to apply. Persons using a TTY may call 1-877-204-1012. The call is free.

Can I still see my regular doctor for family planning healthcare services?

Yes. You can still see your regular doctor or any other HFS enrolled provider who offers family planning healthcare. Ask your doctor if he or she takes the **PINK** Illinois Healthy Women card.

What if I do not want this program?

You choose whether you want to enroll in Illinois Healthy Women. If you do not want family planning benefits, you may cancel at any time. To cancel, call 1-800-226-0768. If you use a TTY, call 1-877-204-1012. The call is free.

Enrolling in Illinois Healthy Women is as easy as 1 - 2 - 3!

If you send in an application for Illinois Healthy Women and you qualify, we will send you a **PINK** Illinois Healthy Women card that covers family planning, birth control and related reproductive healthcare that you get during a family

planning visit. The card is good for 12 months.

If you lose regular medical benefits but you qualify for Illinois Healthy Women, we will send you a packet in the mail. It will have:

- A fact sheet about Illinois Healthy Women, and
- An enrollment form.

In a separate envelope, we will send you a **PINK** Illinois Healthy Women card that covers family planning, birth control and related reproductive healthcare that you get during a family planning visit. The card is good for 3 months.

If you want to get Illinois Healthy Women benefits for 9 more months, you must complete and return the enrollment form. You must send it in no later than the return date printed on the form.

Re-Enrollment

Every year, you can decide if you still want an Illinois Healthy Women pink card. If you want to stay in the program, you can re-enroll every year as long as you qualify. Before your coverage ends, we will send you a re-enrollment form in the mail.

The Illinois Healthy Women program is expected to end in April 2009. If the program is extended beyond this date and you still qualify, you will receive more information and a re-enrollment form.

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What medical services are covered?

Illinois Healthy women covers services related to family planning and birth control. Other reproductive health services are covered if you get them during a family planning visit. The services are listed below.

- Physical exam and health history
- Patient education and counseling about women's health, family planning and how to plan for a healthy pregnancy when or if you want to have a baby
- Birth control
- Pap tests
- Sterilization services, like getting tubes tied, for patients who are 21 years of age or older. It is up to a woman to decide if she wants to be sterilized. She must say so in writing on a special consent form.
- Mammograms, when ordered by the doctor at your family planning visit
- Lab tests necessary for family planning, birth control or related reproductive health
- Testing and medicine for sexually transmitted infections found during the family planning exam, including HIV testing
- Multivitamins and folic acid

Illinois Healthy Women helps women stay healthy and plan when to have their children. With Illinois Healthy Women you can:

1. Space or limit your pregnancies.
2. Learn about family planning, birth control and safe sex.
3. Make good choices about having sex, using birth control, and natural family planning.

4. Plan for a healthy pregnancy and healthy birth for your baby.
5. Get mammograms.
6. Get tested and treated for sexually transmitted infections at your family planning visit.
7. Protect your reproductive health.

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If your income decreases, your family gets bigger or you get pregnant, you may want to apply for FamilyCare or Moms and Babies. These programs cover more services.

**For more information,
please call 1-800-226-0768
(TTY: 1-877-204-1012)**

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